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LETTER DATED 12 MAY 1993 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF ARMENIA TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

Upon instruction from my Government, I have the honour to forward to you the fax-transmitted letter of the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia, Mr. Vahan Papazian.

I should be grateful if you would circulate this as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Alexander ARZOUMANIAN
Permanent Representative

Annex

Letter dated 11 May 1993 from the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia addressed to the Secretary-General

I thank you for your communication of 5 May 1993, formally transmitting the text of the recent United Nations Security Council resolution 822 (1993).

Armenia supports the demands of the Security Council in the order introduced in resolution 822 and is ready to assume responsibility for all actions which are relevant to Armenia. The Government of Armenia too has been calling for the immediate cessation of all hostilities leading to a durable cease-fire, the immediate return of all parties to the conflict to the negotiating table, and the withdrawal of Nagorny Karabagh Self-Defense Forces from Kelbajar district with real guarantees that the district will no longer represent a threat to the security of the people and borders of Nagorny Karabagh.

Unfortunately, the Government of Azerbaijan has failed to comply with the spirit and letter of resolution 822 by refusing to return to the CSCE negotiation process. In the absence of negotiations, it has been impossible to produce an agreement which could have enabled Armenia and Nagorny Karabagh to comply with the above-mentioned demands of the Security Council.

The Government of Armenia would also point out that by continuing its military offensives against Nagorny Karabagh and Armenia Azerbaijan is violating yet another demand of the United Nations Security Council resolution.

Azerbaijan has failed to comply also with the demand of the resolution to end "hostile actions" by maintaining its blockade of Armenia and Nagorny Karabagh and intensifying its psychological war against Armenia and the Armenian people.

In this respect, Armenia deplores the abuse by the Permanent Representative of Azerbaijan to the United Nations of the services provided by the United Nations Secretariat. The daily dissemination of fabricated, war-mongering and hate-filled propaganda was certainly not the purpose of accessing United Nations Secretariat services and can, under no circumstances, be construed to be in the interest of peace.

Finally, Armenia regrets to inform you that despite the provisions of the same resolution, the Republic of Turkey continues to deny Armenia access to humanitarian assistance.

Under the circumstances, you may find it useful to appoint a Special Representative in the region who could provide the Secretary-General with accurate information regarding the implementation by the various parties of all provisions of resolution 822 (1993). Armenia believes regular reports by a

special United Nations representative would provide an effective mechanism to promote the realization of a durable cease-fire and a negotiated solution to the Nagorny Karabagh conflict.

(Signed) Vahan PAPAZIAN